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preceding the expiration month of the current flight instructor certificate, and

- (ii) If the renewal is accomplished under paragraph (a)(2)(iii) of this section, the approved flight instructor refresher course must be completed within the 3 calendar months preceding the expiration month of the current flight instructor certificate.
- (c) The practical test required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device if the test is accomplished pursuant to an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter

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§61.199 Expired flight instructor certificates and ratings.

- (a) Flight instructor certificates. The holder of an expired flight instructor certificate may exchange that certificate for a new certificate with the same ratings by passing a practical test as prescribed in §61.183(h) of this part for one of the ratings listed on the expired flight instructor certificate.
- (b) Flight instructor ratings. (1) A flight instructor rating or a limited flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate is no longer valid and may not be exchanged for a similar rating or a flight instructor certificate.
- (2) The holder of a flight instructor rating or a limited flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate may be issued a flight instructor certificate with the current ratings, but only if the person passes the required knowledge and practical test prescribed in this subpart for the issuance of the current flight instructor certificate and rating.

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Subpart I—Ground Instructors

§ 61.211 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of ground instructor certificates and ratings, the

conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the limitations upon those certificates and ratings.

§61.213 Eligibility requirements.

- (a) To be eligible for a ground instructor certificate or rating a person
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's ground instructor certificate as are necessary:
- (3) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, pass a knowledge test on the fundamentals of instructing to include—
 - (i) The learning process;
 - (ii) Elements of effective teaching;
 - (iii) Student evaluation and testing;
 - (iv) Course development;
 - (v) Lesson planning; and
 - (vi) Classroom training techniques.
- (4) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas in—
- (i) For a basic ground instructor rating, §§ 61.97 and 61.105;
- (ii) For an advanced ground instructor rating, §§ 61.97, 61.105, 61.125, and 61.155; and
- (iii) For an instrument ground instructor rating, §61.65.
- (b) The knowledge test specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is not required if the applicant:
- (1) Holds a ground instructor certificate or flight instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) Holds a current teacher's certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality that authorizes the person to teach at an educational level of the 7th grade or higher; or
- (3) Is employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.

§61.215 Ground instructor privileges.

- (a) A person who holds a basic ground instructor rating is authorized to provide:
- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for